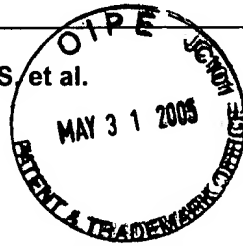


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Sir:

In the Final Office Action dated February 4, 2005, and the Advisory Action issued May 3, 2005, the Examiner has rejected claims 1-14. In response, Applicant hereby appeals to the Board the decision of the Primary Examiner. An Appeal Brief will be filed within two months of the date of this Notice.

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